



# P.A.C.T. Newsletter

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## PACT SPRING 2012 CONFERENCE PRESENTATION

"Being a Reflective Teacher"

Presented by Jacky Howell

This interactive session will look at ways we can continue to grow in our craft as teachers. Through questions and discussion, participants will have an opportunity to explore ways we can continuously move forward in all aspects of our work. Be prepared to be inspired and uplifted as we look together at our important profession—being a teacher!

Jacqueline "Jacky" Howell has more than 30 years of experience as a trainer in early childhood development and curriculum. She has worked as an early childhood teacher and administrator for more than 35 years. She is a trainer, technical assistant, and mentor to teachers and directors in the Washington, DC metropolitan area, as well as a presenter.

She has been a speaker and keynoter at local, national, and international conferences, including the Annual Conference and Professional Development conference for the National Association for the Education of Young Children. Ms. Howell has coauthored and published several articles, including "Using Rituals and Traditions to Create Classroom Community for Children, Teachers, and Parents." She has an M.A. degree.

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**TUESDAY, March 13, 2012**

**Cedar Lane Unitarian Church 301-493-8300**

9601 Cedar Lane, Bethesda, Maryland 20814

### Time Schedule:

9:00-9:30 a.m.	Registration, Refreshments, Displays & Exhibits
9:30-9:45 am	Business Meeting
9:45-1:15 p.m.	Jacky Howell

### **Admission Fee:**

Free admission with a paid PACT Membership  
\$30.00 for those attending this conference only

**To register:** If you have already registered for the 2011/12 school year, email Annette Fitzpatrick ([Annette.fitzpatrick@verizon.net](mailto:Annette.fitzpatrick@verizon.net)) to confirm attendance. All others, please use mail in registration attached.

Dear PACT members,

Happy New Year! It is the perfect time of year to participate in some dynamic professional development. I am so pleased to welcome Jacky Howell as our guest speaker at the PACT Spring Conference. I have no doubt that you will be both engaged and inspired by her presentation on being a reflective teacher.

I look forward to seeing you on Tuesday, March 13<sup>th</sup>!

Warmly,  
Maureen Ingram  
PACT President

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## DIRECTIONS TO CEDAR LANE UNITARIAN CHURCH, BETHESDA, MD.

### From Washington, DC:

Go north on Wisconsin Ave (Rt. 355) Rockville Pike, through Bethesda, past the Naval Hospital to Cedar Lane. Turn right at the traffic light onto Cedar Lane, and continue .7 miles to the Church entrance (marked by a low sign) on the right near the top of the hill (second driveway after the light at Beach Drive).

### From the Beltway Outer Loop (westbound I-495):

Take exit #33, which splits into two ramps. Bear right; take the one marked "Connecticut Avenue North, Kensington." When you get onto Connecticut Avenue, move to the left lane as soon as possible. Turn left at the traffic light onto Beach Drive. Follow Beach Drive about .5 miles through the park to a traffic light at Cedar Lane. Turn right onto Cedar Lane and proceed up the hill to the Church entrance that is marked by a low sign.

### From southbound I-270 or Beltway Inner Loop Exit 35:

Exit at Rt. 355 south (take DC - not VA- spur; left exit from spur) to Bethesda. At the second light turn left onto Cedar Lane Church is .7 miles past Rockville Pike. The Church entrance (marked by a low sign) is on the right near the top of the hill (second driveway after the light at Beach Drive).

### Metro:

Closest stop is the Red Line's Medical Center. Walk north about .5 miles on Rockville Pike/Rt 355 to Cedar Lane and .7 miles east on Cedar Lane, or take Ride-On bus #35 which stops near the corner of Beach Drive and Cedar Lane.



# Spring Conference Registration

This registration form must be returned by **March 7, 2012** to:

**Annette Fitzpatrick 7203 46<sup>th</sup> Street, Chevy Chase, MD 20815**

**Annette.fitzpatrick@verizon.net**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number (home) \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address (will be used only for communication concerning PACT) \_\_\_\_\_

How many years have you been involved with Early Childhood Education?

\_\_\_\_\_ Rookie (0-3 yrs) \_\_\_\_\_ Veteran (4-10 yrs) \_\_\_\_\_ Seasoned Veteran (10+ yrs)

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2011~2012 Individual Member ..... Free e-mail **Annette.fitzpatrick@verizon.net** to  
confirm attendance

Spring Conference Only ..... \$30.00 Make checks payable to PACT

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School name \_\_\_\_\_ phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_ web site \_\_\_\_\_

Are you interested in serving on the PACT Board? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ Maybe, need more info! \_\_\_\_\_

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*Does your school have enough space to host our Fall or Spring Conference? We are entertaining possibilities, due to rising rental fees at our current locations. If you have suggestions or recommendations, please add a note to this effect on your conference evaluation form or email Maureen at [Maureen\\_ingram88@yahoo.com](mailto:Maureen_ingram88@yahoo.com).*  
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